TORIES ON THE RUN.

Attorney General Webster Fiercely Attacked in the House.

HE ACKNOWLEDGES IMPRUDENCE,

But Attempts an Elaborate Defense of His Course of Action.

PARNELL CRUSHES HIS PITIPUL PLEA

The Irish Leader Defice Any Member to Impeach His Veracity.

The House of Commons was the scene of another warm debate on the Irish question yesterday. The Liberal members made a fierce attack on the Government in general and the Attorney General in particular. Webster replied, acknowledging imprudence, but denying the connection of the Government with the Times' case. Parnell rose, and in a few brief sentences effectually sileuced all opposition.

LONDON, March 22 .- In the House of Commons to-day Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, resuming the discussion regarding the Parnell Commission, declared that Attor-ney-General Webster's identification with the Commission, had destroyed the impression that the Government would be impartial and had added weight to the Times' charges. If the Attorney-General had not advised the Government, Parliament should not vote a salary for services he had not performed. He condemned the Attorney-General's apology for the Pigott's forgeries as mean, contemptible and disgraceful, and expressed the hope that he would make a

better apology.

Attorney General Webster replied that but for the duty he owed those who trusted him he would not have noticed the charges made by Sir William Vernon Harcourt. If he were capable of the conduct imputed to him he would be a disgrace to the English bar. He was private counsel for the Times. It was immaterial whether he had been right or wrong in assuming that position, although it was doubtful whether he had been prudent.

A PERTINENT QUERY.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt wanted to know whether the Attorney-General had the letter in which Pigott admitted his inability to stand cross examination. If Mr. Soames had that letter and kept it from the knowledge of the Attorney General he (Harcourt) had no hesitation in saying that the name of Mr. Soames had ought to be struck off the rolls. The Attorney General would now doubtless tell the House when he first learned of Pigott's character, and whether he was informed when Houston burned Pig-

In the course of the Attorney General's reply the Chairman called upon Xavier O'Brien to retire for interrupting. Mr. O'Brien denied that he had opened his mouth. The Chairman repeating the order to retire, Mr. Pinkerton corroborated Mr. O'Brien, declaring that he had been silent. T. P. O'Couner thereupon protested against the Chairman's putting the lie to an honor-

able member without an inquiry.

The Chairman accepted the disclaimer, adding that Mr. O'Brien could not deny having repeatedly interrupted loudly, and warning him not to repeat such conduct.

The Attorney General continuing de-clined absolutely to say whether he had advised the Government on any point. None knew better than Sir William Vernon Harcourt that he could not answer such a nestion. But he had never vouched to the Government for the authenticity of the let-ters. Harcourt ought to know that no counsel vouched for the truth of what he proposed to prove by evidence. Harcourt's argument that counsel ought to satisfy himself of the accuracy of the statements wit-

certain section of the press was only too ready to turn suggestions into accusations. For instance, there as his question as to whether the Attorney General suggested that Pigott should see Daly. He never heard of the visit till the control of the press was only too their astonishment, that Mr. Craven was short. The matter was laid before the proper officials, and an investigation was made.

had informed the commission and had put Pigott's letter in Sir Charles Russell's hands five days before Pigott went into the box. [Loud Ministerial cheers.]

AN ELABORATE DEFENSE. Would the Commission believe that Sir Charles Russell had asked that the letter should not be read till Pigott went into the box? [Laughter.] He protested strongly against Sir William's reference to Mr. Scames, who who was not there to answer the charge. In regard to Sir William's statement that the Times' apology could only have been written by a pettifogging, cozening knave, that knave stood before them at the present moment. [Conservative

In conclusion, he assured the gentlemen opposite that all the charges made against him had failed to give him the slightest anxiety or a single sleepless night. If the further charges promised against him were no worse than those brought to-night, he was bound to confess that in his own opi the part he had played in the last few months would not be the least creditable portion of his career.

Messrs. O'Connor and Labouchere having spoken, Mr. Parnell said he should not have intervened, but that in the language of Attorney General Webster and in the shouts of his supporters there had been some faint echo of Lord Salisbury's equivocal language in respect to the forged letters. If Lord Salisbury still chose to pin the relic of his faith to the letters, the consequences would be upon his own head.

PARNELL'S CLINCHER.

the witness box he (Parnell) had testified under oath that he had neither signed, written, authorized nor known of any of the letters, and Attorney General Webster had not ventured to put to him a single question. Was there any member who would venture to express any doubt

who what the letters were forgeries?

Here there were loud cries for Mr. Fowler, who, Mr. O'Connor said, had expressed doubts; but Mr. Fowler did not respond, whereupon Mr. O'Connorexclaimed: "He's a coward." But he subsequently withdrew a coward." But he subsequently withdrew this expression at the request of the Chair. Mr. James followed, expressing satisfaction at the manner in which Attorney General Webster had answered these charges.

Mr. Morley asserted that Sir Charles Russell had authorized him (Conservative cries of "Where is he?") to state that he was entirely in accord with the opposition in the ection that they were taking. He

in the action that they were taking. He maintained that Attorney General Webster had failed to answer the charges. Mr. Gladstone, Sir Charles Bussell and Messra. Lockwood and Asquith were absent. Messrs. Soames and Walter were in the gallery during the debate.

KENTUCKY JUSTICE. Hanging of a Murderer Who Killed a Man

at a Picnic. LOUISVILLE, March .22 .- At Scottsville to-day was hanged Monroe Wilkinson for the murder of Berry Manien, both colored. Wilkinson, in September 22, went to a colored Sunday school pionic where Manien had charge and began swearing and causing a disturbance. Manien started to call an officer and Wilkinson shot him dead.

SATURDAY evening free lectures under direction of Mr. P. Barnes, Superintendent of Jones & Laughlins', Lim., at Curry Unichange of the Administration, the advent of fat some into fashion and a new occupation for ladies.

BISMARCK EXPLAINS.

The German Consul at Samon Had No Right to Declare Either War or Martial Law-The Islands Will Not be Annexed.

BERLIN, March 22.-The Governmen

as issued a White Book on Samoan affairs. It shows that on March 9 Prince Bismarck wrote to Herr Stenbel, the newly-appointed Consul of Germany to Samoa, describing the conduct of Dr. Knappe, his predecesso in the office, as lacking in calmness and coolness, and as contrary to the lines of Emperor William's policy, with which Dr. Knappe had been well acquainted. Dr. Knappe, Prince Bismarck wrote, apparently lost his head, owing to a letter from Herr Branders, Tamaseses' Prime Minister, which was published in the last White Book, and the presence of three men-of-war at Samoa Referring to Dr. Kuappe's subsequen proposal to annex Somoa, Prince Bismarck reiterates his view that to seek to effect a change in the political situation in Samoa without the consent of England and Amer-

ica would not accord with the treaty ar Knappe's action, reverting to the ques tion of annexation, is incomprehensible, because his experience and instruc-tions ought to have shown him that tions ought to have shown him that his desire to annoy Samoa was opposed to the policy conducted by the Chancellor in conformity with the Emperor's intentions. Knappe Justified the arrest of the Englishman Callien on the ground that the latter had recommended Matasfa to apply to Mr. Grey, ex-Governor of New Zealand, for assistance. Investigation proved that Gallien was not aware of the significance of his act.

Prince Bismarck, in his letter to Herr Stoubel, further says that Dr. Knappe was neither authorized to declare war nor martial law, and, in any case, there could be no question of enforcing the latter against foreigners. His conduct, both toward the agents of the other powers and the natives, lacked the calmness and coolness indispensable for the correct treatment of inter national questions. His repeated official assumption that the German Government had authorized such proceedings on his part rests on a willful misconception or a mistake, which it was difficult to explain.

STRANDED IN THE SURF. Hard Work for Life-Saving Crews During

Severe Storm. [SPECIAL PELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] POINT PLEASANT, N. J., March 22.-

The surf last night was the most damaging to the beach that has been known this season on the Jersey coast. The life-saving crews were obliged to take to the beach hills for safety. A stranded vessel was discovered and two life-saving crews hastened to the wreck. At 10 o'clock the gun was aimed and a line fired. The line parted. The second shot carried a line across the main-mast rigging. The spar fell and the line

Three other shots were fired and the line parted each time, because a very large charge of powder was required to carry the wet, heavy lines. The next shot fell across the head of the standing spar. It was made fast. The life-saving crew then sent off the hawser, and the breeches buoy was sent out when the tide receded. The landing of the wrecked crew went on until about 6 o'clock this morning. The surf broke all over the making a clean breach, and it washed the spars to and fro. Then, as they hung to the rigging, 26 persons, all on board, were landed and taken to the station. The vessel proved to be the German ship J. W. Wendt, from Bremen, bound for New York, with a cargo of petroleum barrels and iron. She is about 250 yards from the beach, badly broken up. She will probably be a total loss.

ANOTHER TREASURER SHORT.

The Result of an Investigation Into a Rail. road's Accounts. PHILADELPHIA, March 22.-A shortage in the accounts of Robert Craven, Secretary and Treasurer of the Philadelphia Wil. mington and Baltimore Railroad Company, will amount to about \$6,500.

On Tuesday an examination of the annual accounts of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore was made according to cus-

made Treasurer of all the roads formerly in Mr. Craven's charge.

AN ANTHRACITE SHUTDOWN.

Two Thousand Miners Idle by the Closing of 15 Colleries. SCRANTON, March 22 .- The Pennsylva-

nia Coal Company informed the miners as they were leaving work to-night that a "shutdown" had been decided upon, to If Americans Helped Mataafa the Germans take place at once. This general suspension affects nearly 2,000 men. The company has been operating 15 large colleries. The officers of the company at the mines say that the "shutdown" is only temporary. Old miners assert that in 11 years there has not been so continued a period of dullness

For the past six months the men have been working quarter time. Their earnings have not exceeded \$15 a month, and have frequently fallen as low as \$6 a month. The miners, as a rule, live in rented houses, the monthly rent of which averages from \$6 to \$8, leaving not more than \$9 at best with which to support their families.

STARVING IN COLUMBUS.

A Pittsburg Young Lady Goes Visiting With Very Sad Results. A special telegram came late last night

from Columbus, as follows: The City Infirmary Directors to-day sent a young woman, giving the name Lillie Steveson who has been stranded here several days, to Pittsburg, which she claims as her home. The Pittsburg, which she claims as her home. The young woman came here last week, and her intention was to visit friends, and she spent several days endeavoring to locate them. She had a small amount of money; but it was soon expended. She tried to get employment, but was unsuccessful, and her helpless situation among strangers caused her to become almost distracted—so much so that on Thursday she did not satisfy the cravings of hunger.

Her appearance and actions indicated that her story was true, and the infirmary directors thought it best to send her to her friends.

AN OPIUM PALACE—F. G. Carpenter, in to-morrow's DISPATCH, describes the largest and most magnificent opium den'in the world, gives an account of the frequenters, shows that opium is a factor in civilization.

Keystone Palace Horse Car Co. Office in Hamilton Building, Fifth avenue

COMPLETE line of men's fine neckwear for spring at James H. Aiken & Co.'s, 100 Fifth ave. Wash skirts for spring and summer. Pop-lins, seersuckers, alpace and pongee. (All our skirts made 21/4 and 23/4 yards wide.) BOGGS & BUHL.

THE Keystone Palace Horse Car Com-pany, with offices in Chicago and St. Louis, have just opened one in the Hamilton Building, of this city.

BOYS AND WILDCATS

Quartet of the Former Tackle Their Weight of the Latter,

WITH A RATHER LIVELY RESULT.

The Fierce Battle Fought in a Crevice in the Mountain.

CATS ARE KILLED, BOYS ARE INJURED One of the Ferocious Beasts Was Nearly Five Feet From

Tall to Tip. Four West Virginia boys out hunting disovered a bunch of wildcats in a fissure of the ground. They attacked the beasts and a fierce battle ensued. The ferocious animals were finally killed, but not without serious injury to their assailants, who with difficulty got away from the scene of the

SEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. GUZANNE, W. VA., March 22.-Yesteray four boys, James and Thomas Loftus and Henry and Frank Nutchie, sons of neighboring farmers near the foot of Melain Mountain, Wyoming county, were out squirrel hunting, and were returning home, when, about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, one of them shot a squirrel, which fell into a deep fissure in the mountain side. The fissure was four or five feet wide and about 40 feet or more in length.

The bottom of it was dimly perceptible some 20 or 30 feet below. The boys were adventurous and determined to get their game, and in order to do so pulled down a long vine of the wild grape and threw one end down the crevice. Down this vine two of the boys went to the bottom.

A CALL FOR ARMS. They had scarcely gotten safely on their feet when they called to their comrades to come down and bring their guns, as they had found a den of wildcats. The two remaining boys slung their guns over their shoulders and descended to find their comrades stooping down and gazing under a crevice of shelving rock which ran back 20 feet or more under the mountain. In the furthest corner of this retreat four pairs of yellow orbs glistened and shone, and four snarling mouths growled and spit

The two boys, who were armed with guns, took careful aim and fired at two pair of yellow eyes. The report of the guns had hardly reverberated in the narrow opening before two immense wild cats sprang out of before two immense wild cats sprang the opening and made for the boys. Armed with their empty guns and a couple of clubs the boys fought the wildcats and finally killed both, but not before one of the boys will be to be form his neck to the had been terribly torn from his neck to the small of his back, another had his cheek and one ear laid open, while a third was badly bitten through his right arm and scratched across the chest by the sharp claws of one of the catamounts.

NOT SO ANXIOUS NOW. After the battle was over the only one of the quartet unhurt climbed to the surface, and he managed to haul and drag his comand he managed to haul and drag his com-rades one by one until all four were again on terra firma. They then rested and tied up their wounds, after which they managed to get to the Loftus homestead, where they were cared for. Loftus, with several neigh-bors went back with the sound boy and brought the catamounts all out of the hole and skinged them.

and skinned them.

The boys are all doing well and will be out again in a few days, but it will probably be some time before either of them is be some time before either of them is ambitious enough to tackle a hole full of wild cats again. The largest catamount measured 4 feet 6 inches in length. The other three were females, full grown. The lads are highly complimented by the old hunters for their display of courage.

CAUGHT AFTER 29 YEARS.

A Murderer's Indiscreet Talk Leads to His Arrest for an Old Crime.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 22.-Seldom is the truth that "murder will out" better exemplified and after so long an interval than in a case which occupied the attention of Governor Richardson to-day. In June, that Pigott should see Daly. He never heard of the visit till two nights ago.

Regarding Pigott, the Attorney General argued that he had no right to keep him from the witness box because he said he could not stand cross-examination. He a few days ago, when his own indiscretion in talking caused his arrest at Jackson,

Requisition papers on the Governor of Tennessee were to-day made out and en-trusted to Sheriff Long, of Union, who will go on and bring back Jeter to stand trial for the crime he committed so long ago.

EQUALLY TO BLAME.

Assisted Tamasese. SAN FRANCISCO, March 22 .- The steamer Australia, arriving to-day from Honolulu, brings in its mail a copy of the Samoa Times, reviewing some of the reports sent abroad from there. Referring to the official document from Samoa, published there by the German Consul, the editor reminds the writer that if the Americans had offended by the helping of Matsafa so had the German merchants in supplying arms and ammunition to Tamasese.

Editorial of the last number received is

devoted to urging foreign residents to exert themselves for the future permanent pros-perity of the islands, and to be prepared to correctly reply to the inquiries expected from the American and British Govern-ments respecting their past grievances.

MARRIED A MINISTER'S SON.

The Daughter of Standard Oil Rockefelle Joined in Wedlock. NEW YORK, March 22 .- The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Rockefeller, the eldest daughter of John D. Rockefeller, of the Standard Oil Company, to Mr. Charles A. Strong, son of the Rev. Dr. Strong, of Rochester, N. Y., took place this evening at the residence of the bride's parents, No. at the residence of the bride's parents, No.
4 West Fifty-fourth street. Rev. Dr. Armatage, of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church,
performed the ceremony, assisted by the
bridegroom's father.

A reception followed, which was attended by a large party, including a number of the bride's classmates of Vassar College. The party leave for Havre on the steamer La Champagne to-morrow morning.

CLEVELAND AT KEY WEST. The Ex-President Gives a Reception and

Leaves for Cuba. KEY WEST, March 22 .- President Cleveland and party arrived here at 5 o'clock on the steamship Olive. They were met by a delegation from the Board of Trade, accompanied by the full fire department, a com-pany of the Island City Guards and the Silver Cornet Band, and were escorted to the Russell House and thence driven around

the city.

The hotel was beautifully decorated with ne note: was beautifully decorated with olive branches, and there was a grand dis-play of bunting throughout the island. Cleveland received the citizens this even-ing. The party left for Havana at 10

PANIC AT A FIRE.

Burning of a Bagging Mill Containing 200 of Rescue-All Saved but

St. Louis, March 22 .- At 3 o'clock this ternoon a double alarm was turned in for a fire in the Standard Bagging Factory, on Stoddard avenue, near Twelfth street. The whole concern was a motley group or old buildings, with a very little fire protection. The main structure, in the center, is three stories high, topped off with a big modern

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It was here the fire started and owing to the inflammable nature of the building and contents, the flames spread rapidly. Immediately upon the cry of fire the wildest panic ensued among the 200 employes, most of whom were girls. A rush was made for the narrow stairway, but before half the number could escape they found themselves cut off by heat and smoke. The few men employed in the building worked bravely and rapidly, and succeeded in leading the panic stricken girls through the smoke and flames to a place where they could drop out to the low adjoining buildings, and all were thus saved with the exception of Ada Lebrecht, who was found horribly burned.

Charles Gufran, a middle-aged man, Charles Gufran, a middle-aged man, worked haroically in getting the girls out of the burning building. He remained on the third floor too long, and when he turned to get out all means of escape were cut off save by the window. He took this only chance, jumped and was terribly injured by the fall, but will not die. A man who was run over by a fire engine during the excitement, and badly injured, was taken away from the scene by iriends before his name could be learned.

JUMPED DOWN TO DEATH.

in Old Custom House Officer Kills Him

by Leaping From a Window. (SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) NEW YORK, March 22.-A gray-haired man climbed out from a fourth-story window of Mrs. Catharine R. Paul's boarding house, No. 46 West Twenty-fifth street, shortly after noon to-day, and threw himself down into the street. He jumped out so far that he struck the telegraph wires. His head came down on the curbstone with a crash that filled the windows with faces. He was dead when the first man got to him. The suicide was Edward A. Birnie, a man of 50, who had rooms on the second floor of the house with his wife and little boy.

Mr. Birnie had been suffering with nervous prostration for nearly a year, and after 22 years' service, had been obliged to give up his place as an inspector of customs. He was appointed an inspector under President Johnson. During the war he was paymaster on the receiving ship Vermont.

MURDERED HIS WIFE,

The Herrible Discovery of Some Kansas School Children. ATCHISON, KAN., March 22 .- Brief details have been received here of a shocking tragedy near Clockton, Rooks county, Kansas. Last night about dark the two children of Taylor Cook, a farmer, when returning home from school where they had been all day, found their father and mother miss-

ing and the furniture in the house broken and everything in confusion. Looking further they discovered the dead body of their mother lying between two feather beds. The body was stark and stiff and the head beaten into a jelly. A club was lying on the floor stained with blood and hair of the woman. Cook was not to be found, and is the man who committed the murder. It is supposed by physicians who examined the body that the murder was done some time shortly after the departure of the children

MURDER WILL OUT.

The Strange Manner in Which Two Men Accused Each Other. "CINCINNATI, March 22 .- A singular case developed to-day in the courts. George Duffy and George Draers both tried to con-

vict each other of having drowned a man in the canal last Monday night. Until last night, when they asked a colored coachman if the police were after them, there had been no suspicion of a crime. But that question led to their arrest and to-day they have confessed that on Monday night they fell in with a stranger whom they made drunk and then pushed him into the canal.

Each accused the other of being the murderer. The man's body has not been found,

but as a man named Barnes, of Newport, is missing, and corresponds in description to the stranger with whom these men were drinking, it is thought he is the man.

TO REPORM CINCINNATI.

Law and Order People Inject a New Element Into the Campaign. CINCINNATI, March 22 .- The Committee of Five Hundred, which is the name given to an organization recently called into existence for the purpose of trying to have the laws enforced, especially that one which provides that drinking saloons shall not be kept open on Sunday, held a meeting to-day and nominated Captain Daniel Stone

Captain Stone is a Republican. They also indorsed the Democratic candidates for Police Court Judge and prosecutor, but made no recommendation for Judge of the Superior Court.

LYNCHERS AFTER A WIFE-KILLER. In Indiana Uxoricide Likely to be Strung

Up Without Ceremony. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 INDIANAPOLIS, March 22.-John Fossell, of Hillsboro, jealous of his wife, to-night shot her down in the yard of their residence. While she was lying as the residence. While she was lying on the ground begging for mercy he emptied all of preme Court of the United States from the begging for mercy he emptied all of the chambers of the revolver into her body. One ball entered above the heart, another cut off a finger, others injured her vari-

She is dying, and as the county is in the synching belt, he will be hung to a tree very soon if not taken away by the Sheriff

NYE contributes one of his characteristic letters to to-morrow's DISPATCH. He speaks of the people he has met, including Joseph Cook and Dr. Mary Walker.

The G. A. R. Entertainment By Prof. Tully at Old City Hall has proved so popular that, to accommodate the children of the schools, it is found necessary to provide two matinees, one at 10 A. M. and one at 2 P. M. Admission, adults, 25 cents; children, 15 cents; with badge, 10 cents.

Hundreds of dozens of fancy stockings, full and regular make, on sale Saturday, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c and 50c a pair; onyx fast black 25e to 50e Boggs & BUHL, Allegheny.

English Neckwear Display In our men's department—all day till 9 P. M. You are invited.

Jos. HORNE & Co.'s Penn Avenue Stores. ALL the newest stylesof Tosca collars and ruchings at Rosenbaum & Co.'s

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ALL HIS TRIALS OVER.

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B. Hayes was Major of the regiment and General Rosecrans its Colonel. Lieutenant Colonel Matthews served with his regiment in West Virginia. He was promoted to the Colonelency of the Fifty-first Ohio Regiment in October, 1861. His regiment was engaged in service in Kentucky, under Major General Buell, becoming afterward part of the Army of the Cumberland.

From the Battlefield to the Beach. In April, 1863, Colonel Matthews was elected by the Republicans Judge of the Superior Court of Cincinnati, and resigned his military command. He filled his judicial position until July, 1864, when he tendered his resignation, compelled by pecuniary considerations to resume his private practice. tice. This soon became very extensive and profitable, including many of the most important cases pending in the State and national courts.

In 1872 Mr. Matthews, although a mem-

ber of the convention which first nominated Mr. Greeley for President, withdrew before the nomination, and supported the election of General Grant in the canvass. That he was not regarded as having severed his connection with the Republican party was made evident by his nomination for Congress of the contract of the contrac gress as a Representative of that party at a later period. Mr. Matthews was a warm supporter, as well as a personal friend, of General Hayes, and before the Electoral Commission rendered efficient service to his friend. Upon the resignation of Senator Sherman, to become Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Matthews was elected as his successor, serving from 1877 until 1879. Toward the close of his administration, President Hayes sent the nomination of Stanley Matthews to the Senate to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United tice of the Supreme Court of the United States; but the nomination was not acted upon by that Congress. It was renewed by President Garfield May 12, 1881, and con-

Justice Matthews was a man of great intellectual energy. His mind was clear, comprehensive and analytical. He had a strong will and a force of character which, with his thorough training, quick percep-tions, retentive memory and sound judg-ment, had carried him to the front rank of his protession as a lawyer, and had won for him an enviable reputation in the position he lately occupied.

SENATORS' EULOGIES.

His Former Colleagues on the Many Admir able Traits in the Dead Jurist's Character-Words of Praise From Members of Both Parties.

WASHINGTON, March 22 .- The death of Justice Matthews was the subject of conversation among Senators to-day, many of whom had served with him during his term in the Senate, and on every hand words of regret and eulogy were said. Some of them

are given: Senator Sherman-The death of Mr. Justice Matthews comes with a shock to me. Though he has been sick for a long time, yet he was hopeful of recovery, and I did not suppose his death imminent. He was a man thoroughly fitted for the position he occupied, a trained lawyer, with a judicial mind of the highest order. It is no disparagement to his associates to say that he was their equal in point of ability. His love of justice was intuitive, and his decisions were mathematical demonstrations. ity. His love of justice was intuitive, and his decisions were mathematical demonstrations. He attained the position for which his mind was best fitted. Most of his friends conceded that he was not a wise politician, but no one doubted his being a great Judge. His death will be sincerely mourned by a multitude of friends, and his place will be hard to fill. Personally, I had the strongest attachment for him, though on some questions he differed widely from me, but I never doubted the sincerity of his convictions. His loss will be great to his family, to his State, but, more than all, to the great profession of which he was a distinguished ornament.

Every now and again he would shoot up in the air. All the while they were urging the drivers to cease whipping. The drivers thought they meant to go faster, and the harder they whipped. As they passed me, Snyder said: 'For God's sake, Williamson, make them stop.'' I heard George Wright exclaim: 'You — yellow rascal, if I had—Oh—oh—oh—' and he was trying his utmost to place a piece of carpet under him for a cushlou. Snyder was first to the bridge, but he was disqualified. He finished short of weight, having lost his hat,

tinguished ornament.

Senator Platt—I believe he made an admirable Judge, and was an ornament to the beach, fully justifying the cosfidence of those who supported his nomination, and have never had occasion to change my mind. He was a man of ability and integrity, and the fact that he had been an attorney for corporations never weighed in my mind against him. I was satisfied that he would decide fairly and honestly any question submitted to him.

BOTH STATESMAN AND LAWYER. Senator Teller-Justice Matthews' appoin ment was an excellent one, and he did not dis appoint his friends. He was a man of com manding talent, as shown by his services at the I served with him in the Senate, became quite timate with him, and had a high regard for him. As a man and a lawyer he occupied a

him. As a man and a lawyer he occupied a high position in public estimation.

Senator Harris—I had known Justice Matthews personally for many years. He was a man of absolute purity and integrity, and a lawyer of great ability.

Senator Mitchell—It was with sincere regret I learned of the death of Justice Matthews. I became acquainted with him 12 years ago when he entered the Senate, and served with him two years on the Committee on Raifroads. There I had every opportunity to become intimately acquainted with him, and have known him ever since as Senator and Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. He was eminent in his profession, a man of great learning and pro-

Court of the United States. He was eminent in his profession, a man of great learning and pronounced ability, kind of heart, generous in nature and a sincere friend. His death is a great loss to the bench and to the country.

Senator Spooner—Justice Matthews was a lawyer of eminent ability, and his death is a great loss.

Mr. Hoar—There was some difference of opinion as to the expediency of Judge Matthews' appointment when he went upon the bench. This was due to a fear that his judicial opinions might be blased in favor of the great railroad interests which he had so largely represented as counsel. I never, myselt, shared this fear for a moment, I thought the judgment of President Hayes and President Garfield, both members of the Ohio bar, who successively nominated him, of his professional associates in Ohio without distinction of party, of such Democrats as Mr. Pendieton and Mr. Thurman, and his eminent service upon the bench of the Superior Court of Cincinnati well warranted his appointment.

NOBODY DISAPPOINTED.

NOBODY DISAPPOINTED. preme Court of the United States from the be ginning of the Government. It has never occurred to anybody, since his appointment, to question his absolute impartiality. He has shown the simplicity which has characterized some of the greatest judges, and which belongs in a special degree to Marshall. He excelled in lucid and orderly statement. His mind was always intent on the judicial problem to be solved. He solved it as a problem of jurisprudence, unconscious of the persons or interests to be affected by the result. Every intelligent man will now agree that he was in his rightful and appropriate place in that tribunal to whose arbitration all the interests of the country are submitted, and which keeps the forces of State and nation alike within their appointed bounds.

State and nation alike within their appointed bounds.

Senator Payne—I have known Justice Matthews from boyhood, and from the first was impressed with his ability in whatever direction he was called upon to exercise it. His appointment to the bench of the Supreme Court placed him where, by nature, he was best fitted to be, and I am firmly convinced that, had he lived, he would have become the foremost jurist of the land. He was a growing man. He read widely both in legal and general literature, and his information and culture were of the highest and best type. His death I regard as a great loss to the country and to the profession he so highly adorned.

A large number of messages of condolence A large number of messages of condoleno were received during the afternoon.

GRESHAM MAY BE JUSTICE. His the Most Prominent Name Mentio ned

for the Vacancy. WASHINGTON, March 22.—The probable effect of the death of Justice Matthews upon the length of the special session of the Senate was discussed at the Capitol to-day. Senator Sherman's announcement yesterday that the President would be enabled to let ceived with great satisfaction by those Senators (a large majority) who are desirous of leaving Washington, and it seemed that final adjournment could be had next Thursday or Friday, but the sed amount of the defendant. day or Friday, but the sad event of to-day

is an important matter, and the President will want time to consider it carefully."

"Can't it go over until fall?" was asked.

"The court has been without the presence of Justice Matthews for almost a year, and it will shortly adjourn."

"They adjourn," responded the Senstor, "to go on their several circuits, and it is there that the services of the Associate Justices are in demand for the expedition of Dusiness."

A MYSTIC SHRINE.

The Festive Homage Paid by a Secret Order to a Comedy King.

FLORENCE DINED AFTER MIDNIGHT

business."

The succession to the vacancy is already discussed, there being two programmes laid out by those who talk. One is that Judge Gresham, now Judge of the circuit somprising the States of Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana, will be nominated for Associate Justice. He would, in turn, be succeeded by Judge W. A. Woods, leaving a vacancy to be filled in the district of Indiana. The other programme includes the transfer of Attorney General Miller to the Supreme Bench, of Secretary Noble to the head of the Department of Justice, and of Assistant Postmaster General Clarkson to the Interior Department.

SENTIMENTS OF THE BENCH.

Justice Field Voices the Serrow of Justice

Marthews' Colleagues. WASHINGTON, March 22.-Justice Field, who had known Justice Matthews inti-mately-more so, probably, than any other member of the court-expressed to a representative of the Associated Press, after the court adjourned, the sentiments of himself

court adjourned, the sentiments of himself and his associates upon the death of their brother Justice. Said he:

"The members of the Supreme Court deeply deplore the death of Justice Matthews. They had become attached to him in an unusual degree. They recognized his great legal ability; but even more, they appreciated the warmth of his affectionate nature. He was an industrious Judge, and his decisions exhibited wide research and his decisions exhibited wide research and thorough culture. He was an able lawyer, a wise Judge, and a Christian gentleman."

RIDING CAMELS IN A RACE.

all Players Who Have Tried it Don't Exactly Like the Exercise.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH Boston, March 22.-Everybody knows orge Wright and Irving Snyder, who are with the American baseball players abroad, and the following sketch from Ed Williamson's pen of a camel race in which they participated will be appreciated by their riends. Williamson

"George Wright and Irving Snyder had "George Wright and Irving Snyder had quite an experience. They were the participants in a camel race, and neither of them knew it till after it was over. It is bad enough to ride a camel when in a walk, but when he is running—well, I don't know anything violent enough to compare with it. Tom Brown gave a couple of the camel drivers a shilling each, telling them that Wright and Snyder wanted to race. Pointing to a bridge about a half mile distant, he told them that the driver of the camel that reached the bridge first would receive 4 reached the bridge first would receive 4 shillings extra. Each driver armed himselt with a long stick, and at a signal from Brown they went to work at the camels. First Wright's head would fly back and almost hit the camel's tail, then he would

head.
"It worked differently with Snyder. He would be hanging by his leg, first on one side of the camel and then on the other side. Every now and again he would shoot up in suspenders, half a dozen buttons, one shoe and a sock, George Wright finished, not on the back of the camel, but hanging to his neck."

A JUDGE TURNS SHERIFF.

And Captures Pive of a Noted Band of Kentucky Desperadoes. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. 1 BARBOURSVILLE, KY., March 22 .- A band of drunken desperadoes, such as are too frequently to be found in the East Cumberland mountain district of Kentucky, in which this (Knox) county is comprised, has been holding murderous orgies in the most unfrequented wilds of this mountainous country. Their thieving raids have so alarmed and terrified peaceable citizens as to cause the latter, at the peril of their lives, to become informants in the sense of appealing to the officers of the law for pro-tection. On last Thursday the Sheriff,

armed with warrants and accompanied by

three deputies, set out to surprise the gang and disperse it, but they were fired upon from ambush and driven back, as other officers have been on several previous occa-On Thursday night Judge Daniel N. Cull appointed a substitute in the court in which he was presiding, and, with the Sheriff and a posse of 50 resolute men, mostly from this little town of less than 800 population, set out to capture the gang if possible, but at all hazards to disperse it. His movements were made between midnight and daylight yesterday, and so well were they masked that he surprised the gang and captured five of them. The others, about 50 in number, are hiding in the mountains, every pass and path of which they know. It will be next to impossible to capture them, but they have been driven from this county and made very uncomfortable. On Thursday night Judge Daniel N. Cull

made very uncomfortable.

HELEN MODJESKA ENGAGED To Star on Equal Terms With Booth, in Lawrence Barrett's Company.

PERCHAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. PHILADELPHIA, March 22 .- The difference between Messrs. Booth and Barrett, and Mademoiselle Helen Modjeska, which threatened to prevent the consummation of negotiations that have been pending for some time, for the joint starring tour of Mr. Booth and the actress, under Mr. Barrett's management, has been amicably settled and

the contract signed by all the parties inter-The contract provides that the actor and actress shall be jointly starred; that the names of both shall appear on the bills and programmes in type of equal size, and that in all things Modjeska will be on equal terms with Mr. Booth.

WHY JOHNNY COMES MARCHING HOME

He Has a Couple of Little Matters of Business to Attend To. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE. NEW YORK, March 23 .- The steamship Saale, of the North German Lloyd Line, on which John M. Ward is a passenger, arrived at Sandy Hood at 10 o'clock last

Ward left Europe ahead of the Spalding party, in order to call a meeting of the Base pall Players' Brotherhood before the opening of the season, and to try and settle the question as to his going to Washington.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. Youngstown, March 22.-This afternoon ex-Mayor S. A. Steele, a leading Democrat and well known in Pittsburg.

may cause a postponement.

Said one Senutor to-day: "I do not see how we can get away next week. The filling of this vacancy of the Supreme Bench.

At a Banquet Board Exquisitely Attractive to Several Senses

GOOD FOR THE INNER AND CUTER MAN

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Florence were tendered a brilliant reception last night. The honors were done by the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of which order Mr. Florence is the founder. About 100 members of the Shrine gathered in the parlors of the Hotel Duquesne at 7:30 with their wives. The men put on their ferzes, or little red caps with black tassels, and then the whole party were driven to the Opera House. A large block of seats had been reserved for the ladies and gentlemen. With this compliment in front of him, Mr. Florence had some excuse for his splendid representation of "Our Gov-ernor." During the performance a lovely basket of flowers was sent up to Mrs. Flor-ence, the gift of the Pittsburg "Nobles."

THE BANQUET BEGAN LATE. At 11 o'clock the whole party returned to the Hotel Duquesne. Mr. and Mrs. Florence accompanied them. The rich banques hall was then a glittering scene. Proprietor Witherow and his chef had fairly excelled themselves. Covers had been laid for 120. Huge bouquets were arranged between the cakes and among the cut glass and china tableware. In the center of the tables stood a bank of flowers, three feet tables stood a bank of flowers, three feet square, on which were woven in flowers the symbols of the order. The bank was intended to resemble a shrine. It was made of Harrissi lilies, roses, lilies of the valley and maidenhair ferns. The badge of the order is a scimtar, which was made of yellow narcissus; tiger-claws of roses and violets; crescent of pinks; tex of red carnations and the tassel of blue hyacinths. It was said to be the finest piece of work ever taken out of Robert C. Patterson's store.

son's store.

The whole floral work was presented to Mr. Florence at the close of the banquet.

It was nearly midnight before the ladies was the control of the tables. Many wellwere escorted to the tables. Many wellknown people were observed in the pro-cession from the parlors to the dining hall.

BIVALS MEET AS BROTHERS. H. P. Ford, with his daughter, and H. P. Ford, with his daughter, and James S. McKean and lady, were conspicuous because of the fact that they are the rival candidates for postmaster in Pittsburg. Chill Hazzard, of Monongahela City, and George B. Orlady, Esq., of Huntingdon, were two prominent guests from a distance. Among the Pittsburg gentlemen with ladies were Major T. J. Hudson, Colonel Samuel Harper, Captain A. E. Hunt, Thomas Phelps, Walter Lyon, Esq., G. W. English, William Collingwood, James N. Bebout, J. C. Blazier, A. M., Voight and many others.

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Mr. Hudson was assigned the head of the table, as master of ceremonies.

As to all that occurred at the banquet board—the numerous with speeches in-spired by that prince of merry-makers, the chiefly honored guest—it will be practically impossible to publish details this morning; for the doors to the banquet hall were locked, bolted and carefully guarded, so that, while a reporter was still waiting at 2 A. M., there seemed little prospect of his getting near enough to guests or members of the Mystic Shrine to get a hint of the jolly proceedings

FACTS FROM THE INSIDE. Patience had its reward in an interview

with Mr. English, who at last came out and stated that the presentation was about to take place.

A few minutes later and the voice of Mr.

T. J. Hudson, the potentate, was heard making a few remarks about the order, in which he disclaimed that the Mystic Shrine had any connection with the Masons, although everybody belonging to the order is a Mason. He then called upon Mr. G. B. Orlady, of Huntingdon, who, after a

few choice and well-turned sentences, called Mr. Florence's attention to the beautiful floral emblem behind him. "As a token of our sincerest regard and the best wishes to yourself and your dear lady, we present you with this," he said. Mr. Florence smilingly turned around and looked upon the magnificent flowers; then, rising, he responded in the following

Brethren, Fellows and Ladles:
I feel somewhat like the boy who was kept in a constant fever of trepidation on one particular evening by his mother saying to him: 'Now, Johnny, you have been had, and I am going to whip you in the morning.' Well, the poor boy, at last, so much harassed by this feeling, re-plied to his mother: 'Oh, please, ma, give it to ma right here.'

plied to his mother: 'Oh, please, ma, give it to me right here!'
Well, I knew that I would have to say something to-night, and I wished that it had come off long ago. I have been thinking of it during the whole last hour, and I now feel like the Oriental donkey, who would like to bray, but his master had tied such a big load to him that he couldn't. I mean by this, that I have partaken of so much of your delicacies that I cannot say much. not say much.

But apart from all joking, let me tell you that Mrs. Florence and myself are indeed much gratified with the welcome you have tendered us on this occasion.

PROUD OF THE ORDER. I feel happy at the result of my efforts in bringing the order into this country. As I look over the whole country now, and take into my mind's eye the whole lot of brethren that bemind's eye the whole lot of brethren that belong to our order I feel just like any other
father does about his sons, and I say: "My
boys are the handsomest lot in the whole couns,
try. There is no doubt of it."

It is true we have no affiliation with the
Masons, because we do not want to belong to
these nasty Masons anyhow. [Langhter.] We
do not refuse to have our wives along with us,
and if we have any feelings corresponding
with those of the Turk in our order, I must
say that there is not another nation, creed or
society that holds the woman in such high regard as does the Turk.

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Great applause followed Mr. Florence's speech. Then Mr. Beabout sang a beautiful solo, and after this a number of impromptu speeches were made, which kept good fellowship and conviviality at its limax until nearly 3 o'clock.

BREWERS PREPARING FOR WAR.

curing Ammunition With Which to Fight Against Prohibition. PRPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH . HARRISBURG, March 22.-Philip Bisinger, President of the Reading Brewing Company, and J. Barbey, a Reading brewer, were in consultation with a number of liquor dealers in this city to-day with reference to the fight to be made against the adoption of the prohibitory amendment. One of the objects of the visit is said to have been to raise a campaign fund.

REAL AMERICAN OPERA.

As Far as Porformers Go, Promised for the Next Season.

CHICAGO, March 22 .- According to John Lavine, manager of the Albani Concert Company, next season will see a revival of Company, next season will see a revival of Italian opera in this country under the most favorable circumstances. The opera is to be produced with an American foundation, and altogether by American performers. The New England school prize pupils will be engaged.

A Woman to be Hanged in Nevada. VIRGINIA CITY, NEV., March 22.— Josiah and Elizabeth Potts were found guilty of murder in the first degree in kill-ing Miles Taucott at Carlin, January 1, 1868. They were sentenced to death by hanging by Judge Bigelow. This is the first case in the history of Nevada where the death penalty was ever pronounced on a